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楕円型作用素の同変行列式と群作用

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1. Equivariant determinant of elliptic operators

Let $M = M^{2m}$ be a $2m$ -dimensional closed connected oriented Riemannian manifold and G a finite group acting on M . The G -action is assumed to be orientation-preserving, isometric and effective. Let $D : \Gamma(E) \rightarrow \Gamma(F)$ be a G -equivariant elliptic operator where E, F are complex G -vector bundles. Then $\ker D$ and $\operatorname{coker} D$ are finite dimensional G -modules.

Equivariant determinant of D is defined by

$$G \ni g \longrightarrow \det(D, g) = \frac{\det(g|_{\ker D})}{\det(g|_{\operatorname{coker} D})} \in S^1 \subset \mathbb{C}^*$$

and $\det_D := \det(D, \cdot) : G \longrightarrow S^1$ is a group homomorphism.

Then an additive group homomorphism $I_D : G \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$ is defined by

$$I_D(g) := \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{-1}} \log \det(D, g) \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}.$$

This additive group homomorphism has the following properties:

$$I_D(gh) = I_D(hg) = I_D(g) + I_D(h), \quad I_D([G, G]) = 0, \quad I_D(1) = 0.$$

Next proposition is proved by using the linear algebra (see [2]).

Proposition If $g^p = 1$ ($p \geq 2$), we have

$$I_D(g) \equiv \frac{p-1}{2p} \text{Ind}(D) - \frac{1}{p} \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \frac{1}{1 - \xi_p^{-k}} \text{Ind}(D, g^k) \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$$

where $\xi_p = e^{2\pi\sqrt{-1}/p}$ is the primitive p -th root of unity,

$$\text{Ind}(D, g^k) = \text{Tr}(g^k| \ker D) - \text{Tr}(g^k| \text{coker } D) \in \mathbb{C}$$

is the equivariant index of D evaluated at g^k and

$$\text{Ind}(D) = \text{Ind}(D, 1) = \dim \ker D - \dim \text{coker } D \in \mathbb{Z}$$

is the numerical index of D .

2. Cyclic action on Riemann surfaces and its rotation angles

Let Σ^σ be the compact Riemann surface of genus σ ($\sigma \geq 2$). Assume that a finite group G acts on Σ^σ as a biholomorphic automorphism with respect to some complex structure of Σ^σ .

Let $g \in G$ be any element of order p and set $\mathbb{Z}_p = \langle g \rangle$. Then $\pi : \Sigma^\sigma \rightarrow \Sigma^\sigma / \mathbb{Z}_p$ is a branched covering with b branch points $y_1, \dots, y_b \in \Sigma^\sigma / \mathbb{Z}_p$ of order (n_1, \dots, n_b) , where $\pi^{-1}(y_i) = \{q_i, g \cdot q_i, \dots, g^{r_i-1} \cdot q_i\}$ consists of $r_i := p/n_i$ points.

For $1 \leq i \leq b$, assume that $g^{r_i}|_{T_{\pi^{-1}(y_i)}\Sigma^\sigma} = \xi_{n_i}^{t_i} = \xi_p^{r_i t_i}$ where $1 \leq t_i \leq n_i - 1$ and t_i is prime to n_i .

Problem 1 Can we determine the rotation angles $r_1 t_1, \dots, r_b t_b$ by using the equivariant determinant?

Let D_ℓ be the $\otimes^\ell T\Sigma^\sigma$ -valued Dirac operator on Σ^σ defined by the complex structure of Σ^σ . Then using the Atiyah-Singer index formula, we can show the next formula (see [2]).

Formula Set

$$\Phi_i := zt_i(n_i - 1)(7n_i - 11) + 6 \sum_{j=\left[\frac{(\ell+1)zt_i}{n_i}\right]+1}^{\left[\frac{(\ell+n_i+1)zt_i}{n_i}\right]} f_{n_i} \left(\left[\frac{jn_i - 1}{zt_i} \right] - \ell - 1 \right)$$

where $f_{n_i}(x) = x^2 - (n_i - 2)x - (n_i - 1)^2$ and $[\]$ is the Gauss's symbol. Then for any integers ℓ, z , $12p I_{D_\ell}(g^z)$ is an integer and we have

$$12p I_{D_\ell}(g^z) \equiv 6(p-1)(1-\sigma)(2\ell+1) + \sum_{i=1}^b r_i \Phi_i \pmod{12p}.$$

Remark Assume that $\mu\nu$ is prime to p . Then since $p I_{D_\ell}(g) = 0$, $\mu I_{D_\ell}(g^\nu) = \mu\nu I_{D_\ell}(g) = 0 \iff I_{D_\ell}(g) = 0$.

Example 1 (Dihedral group) Assume that p is odd. Let

$$G = D(p) = \langle g, h \mid g^p = h^2 = 1, g^{-1}h^{-1}gh = g^{-2} \rangle$$

be the dihedral group. Then since $g^{-2} \in [G, G]$, it follows that

$$I_{D_\ell}(g^{-2}) = -2I_{D_\ell}(g) = 0 \quad (\forall \ell \in \mathbb{N}) \iff I_{D_\ell}(g) = 0 \quad (\forall \ell \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Example 2 (Symmetric group) Assume that p is odd. Let $\tau_1 = (1, 2)$, $\tau_2 = (1, 3)$, \dots , $\tau_{p-1} = (1, p)$ be the transpositions of p letters and $S(p)$ the symmetric group of the p letters. Let $g \in S(p)$ be an element of order p defined by $g = \tau_1\tau_2\cdots\tau_{p-1} = (p, p-1, \dots, 2, 1)$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= I_{D_\ell}(1) = I_{D_\ell}((g\tau_{p-1}\cdots\tau_2\tau_1)^2) \\ &= I_{D_\ell}(g^2) + I_{D_\ell}(\tau_{p-1}^2) + \cdots + I_{D_\ell}(\tau_1^2) = 2I_{D_\ell}(g) \\ &\iff I_{D_\ell}(g) = 0 \quad (\forall \ell \in \mathbb{N}). \end{aligned}$$

Problem 2 Can we determine the rotation angles r_1t_1, \dots, r_bt_b of g under the condition that $I_{D_\ell}(g) = 0$ for any integers ℓ ?

Assume that the order p of g is an odd prime number hereafter.

(Hence we have $n_i = p$, $r_i = 1$ for $1 \leq i \leq b$.)

Then the we have the following formula.

Formula (Riemann-Hurwitz equation)

$$\sigma = p(\tau - 1) + \frac{b(p-1)}{2} + 1 \iff \tau = \frac{1}{p} \left(\sigma - \frac{b(p-1)}{2} - 1 \right) + 1$$

where τ is the genus of $\Sigma^\sigma/\mathbb{Z}_p$.

Let $F := \{q_1, \dots, q_b\} \subset \Sigma^\sigma$ be the fixed point set of the \mathbb{Z}_p -action and $\pi : \Sigma^\sigma \longrightarrow \Sigma^\tau = \Sigma^\sigma / \mathbb{Z}_p$ the branched covering with branch points $\pi(q_1), \dots, \pi(q_b)$ of order (p, \dots, p) .

Assume that $g|_{T_{q_i}\Sigma^\sigma} = \xi_p^{t_i}$ ($1 \leq t_i \leq p-1$) for $1 \leq i \leq b$.

Set $\Sigma_0^\sigma := \Sigma^\sigma - F$ and $\Sigma_0^\tau := \Sigma_0^\sigma / \mathbb{Z}_p$, then we have the next exact sequence:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1(\Sigma_0^\sigma) &\longrightarrow \\ \pi_1(\Sigma_0^\tau) &= \langle a_1, b_1, \dots, a_\tau, b_\tau, x_1, \dots, x_b \mid \prod_{k=1}^\tau [a_k, b_k] x_1 \cdots x_b = 1 \rangle \\ &\xrightarrow{\partial} \mathbb{Z}_p \longrightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

where x_i is represented by a loop around the branch point $\pi(q_i)$.

Let \bar{t}_i denotes the mod. p inverse of t_i ($1 \leq i \leq b$). Then since

$$\prod_{k=1}^\tau [a_k, b_k] x_1 \cdots x_b = 1, \quad \partial([a_k, b_k]) = 0, \quad \partial(x_i) = \bar{t}_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p,$$

it follows that

$$\sum_i \partial(x_i) = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}_p \iff \sum_{i=1}^b \bar{t}_i \equiv 0 \pmod{p} \cdots (1)$$

Conversely, if $b \geq 2$, σ, τ satisfy the Riemann-Hurwitz equation and the equality (1) holds, then there exists a \mathbb{Z}_p -action on Σ^σ with b -fixed points such that the genus of $\Sigma^\sigma / \mathbb{Z}_p$ is τ and that the rotation angles are t_1, \dots, t_b (see [1]).

By definition, rotation angles (t_1, \dots, t_b) are equivalent to the rotation angles (t'_1, \dots, t'_b) if there exists an integer s such that $t'_i = st_i$ ($\forall i$) or (t'_1, \dots, t'_b) is a permutation of (t_1, \dots, t_b) .

In the following tables, the equivalence class of rotation angles of g is simply called "rotation angles", the rotation angles of g such that $\sum_{i=1}^b \bar{t}_i \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ is called "possible rotation angles" and the rotation angles of g such that $I_{D_\ell}(g) = 0$ ($\forall \ell \in \mathbb{N}$) is called "admissible rotation angles".

$$p = 5$$

σ	b	Possible rotation angles	Admissible rotation angles
2	3	(1, 1, 2)	none
3	1	none	none
4	4	(1, 1, 1, 3) (1, 1, 4, 4) (1, 2, 3, 4)	(1, 1, 4, 4) (1, 2, 3, 4)
5	2	(1, 4)	(1, 4)
6	0		
	5	(1, 1, 1, 1, 1) (1, 1, 1, 2, 4) (1, 1, 2, 2, 3)	(1, 1, 1, 1, 1)
7	3	(1, 1, 2)	none
8	6	(1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2) (1, 1, 1, 1, 3, 4) (1, 1, 1, 2, 3, 3) (1, 1, 1, 4, 4, 4) (1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 4)	(1, 1, 1, 4, 4, 4) (1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 4)
9	4	(1, 1, 1, 3) (1, 1, 4, 4) (1, 2, 3, 4)	(1, 1, 4, 4) (1, 2, 3, 4)
10	2	(1, 4)	(1, 4)
	7	(1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 4) (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 3) (1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 4, 4) (1, 1, 1, 1, 3, 3, 3) (1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 4) (1, 1, 1, 3, 3, 4, 4)	(1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 4) (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 3)
11	0		
	5	(1, 1, 1, 1, 1) (1, 1, 1, 2, 4) (1, 1, 2, 2, 3)	(1, 1, 1, 1, 1)

$p = 7$

σ	b	Possible rotation angles	Admissible rotation angles
2	none	none	none
3	3	(1, 1, 3) (1, 2, 4)	(1, 2, 4)
4	1	none	none
5	none	none	none
6	4	(1, 1, 1, 2) (1, 1, 4, 5) (1, 1, 6, 6) (1, 2, 5, 6)	(1, 1, 6, 6) (1, 2, 5, 6)
7	2	(1, 6)	(1, 6)
8	0	(free action)	
9	5	(1, 1, 1, 1, 5) (1, 1, 1, 3, 6) (1, 1, 1, 4, 4) (1, 1, 2, 3, 5) (1, 1, 2, 4, 6) (1, 1, 3, 3, 4)	(1, 1, 2, 4, 6)
10	3	(1, 1, 3) (1, 2, 4)	(1, 2, 4)
11	1	none	none

$p = 11$

σ	b	Possible rotation angles	Admissible rotation angles
2	none	none	none
3	none	none	none
4	none	none	none
5	3	(1, 1, 5) (1, 2, 3)	none
6	1	none	none
7	none	none	none
8	none	none	none
9	none	none	none
10	4	(1, 1, 1, 7) (1, 1, 2, 4) (1, 1, 3, 9) (1, 1, 6, 8) (1, 1, 10, 10) (1, 2, 7, 8) (1, 2, 9, 10) (1, 3, 8, 10)	(1, 1, 10, 10) (1, 2, 9, 10) (1, 3, 8, 10)
11	2	(1, 10)	(1, 10)

3. Higher dimensional case

Let M be a $2m$ -dimensional almost complex manifold with \mathbb{Z}_p -action and q_i ($1 \leq i \leq b$) the fixed points of the generator g of \mathbb{Z}_p . Then for $1 \leq i \leq b$, the tangent space $T_{q_i}M$ is decomposed into

$$T_{q_i}M = \bigoplus_{j=1}^m V_{i,j} \quad (\dim_{\mathbb{C}} V_{i,j} = 1, \quad g|V_{i,j} = \xi_p^{t_{i,j}}).$$

We call $(\{t_{1,1}, \dots, t_{1,m}\}, \dots, \{t_{b,1}, \dots, t_{b,m}\})$ the rotation angles of g .

Example 3 Let $D(5) = \langle g, h \mid g^5 = h^2 = 1, g^{-1}h^{-1}gh = g^{-2} \rangle$ be the dihedral group. Then since Σ^5 can be embedded symmetrically

into \mathbb{R}^3 with respect to the π -rotation around x -axis and $2\pi/5$ -rotation around z -axis, $D(5)$ can act on Σ^5 and g acts on Σ^5 with 2-fixed points of the rotation angles $(1, 4), (2, 3)$. Hence the diagonal action of $D(5)$ on $\Sigma^5 \times \Sigma^5$ gives an action of g on $\Sigma^5 \times \Sigma^5$ with 4-fixed points of the rotation angles

$$\begin{aligned}(1, 4) \times (1, 4) &= (\{1, 1\}, \{1, 4\}, \{1, 4\}, \{4, 4\}), \\ (1, 4) \times (2, 3) &= (\{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 4\}, \{3, 4\})\end{aligned}$$

and we have $I_D(g) = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}_5$ for any $D(5)$ -equivariant elliptic operator D because $-2I_D(g) = I_D(g^{-2}) = I_D(g^{-1}h^{-1}gh) = 0$.

Now assume that $\mathbb{Z}_5 = \langle g \rangle$ acts on $\Sigma^5 \times \Sigma^5$ and that the action preserves some almost complex structure of $\Sigma^5 \times \Sigma^5$. Let L be the complex \mathbb{Z}_5 -line bundle defined by

$$L = (\wedge_{\mathbb{C}}^2 T(\Sigma^5 \times \Sigma^5))^\ell$$

and D_ℓ the L -valued Dirac operator on $\Sigma^5 \times \Sigma^5$.

Problem 3 Can we determine the rotation angles of g under the condition that g has 4-fixed points and $I_{D_\ell}(g) = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}_5$ for any integers ℓ ?

Let $(\{s_1, t_1\}, \{s_2, t_2\}, \{s_3, t_3\}, \{s_4, t_4\})$ be the rotation angles of g . Then using the Atiyah-Singer index formula, we can prove the next equality.

$$I_{D_\ell}(g) = \frac{32}{5}(2\ell + 1)^2 - \frac{1}{5} \sum_{i=1}^4 \sum_{k=1}^4 \frac{\xi_5^{k\ell(s_i+t_i)}}{(1 - \xi_5^{-k})(1 - \xi_5^{-ks_i})(1 - \xi_5^{-kt_i})}$$

Equivalence of rotation angles is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(\{1, 2\}, \{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \{3, 4\}) &\equiv (\{3, 4\}, \{2, 1\}, \{3, 2\}, \{1, 2\}) \\ &\equiv (\{2, 4\}, \{2, 4\}, \{4, 1\}, \{1, 3\}) \equiv (\{3, 1\}, \{3, 1\}, \{1, 4\}, \{4, 2\}) \equiv \dots\end{aligned}$$

Then we can obtain the following result.

Result The (equivalence class of) rotation angles do not satisfy the condition $I_{D_\ell}(g) = 0$ ($\forall \ell$) unless

$$\begin{aligned} &(\{1, 1\}, \{1, 4\}, \{1, 4\}, \{4, 4\}), \quad (\{1, 1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{1, 4\}, \{4, 4\}), \\ &(\{1, 1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 3\}, \{4, 4\}), \quad (\{1, 2\}, \{1, 2\}, \{3, 4\}, \{3, 4\}), \\ &(\{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 4\}, \{3, 4\}) \end{aligned}$$

(see Example 3).

Remark Let N be the number of the equivalence classes of rotation angles. Then we have

$$N \geq \frac{4^8}{2^4 \times 4! \times 4} = \frac{128}{3} \implies N \geq 43$$

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